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Catherine HANNI et al.  
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METHOD FOR DETECTING THE PRESENCE  
OF BIOLOGICAL MATTERS OF BOVINE  
ORIGIN, AND OLIGONUCLEOTIDES FOR  
ITS IMPLEMENTATION

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with Rules 1.97 and 1.98, and in fulfillment of the duty of disclosure under Rule 1.56, the accompanying documents, copies of which are attached to this statement, are made of record on the enclosed sheet.

A concise explanation of the relevance of these items is that we are advised by our client that these references were cited by the French Patent Office in French Application No. 97/05517, filed 05 May 1997, and cited by the European Patent Office in International Application No. PCT/FR98/00892, filed 04 May 1998.

Respectfully submitted,

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